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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re:	Rodriguez, et al.	§	Before the Examiner:
		§	Jennine M. Brown
Serial No.:	10/758,726	§	
		§	Group Art Unit: 1755
Filed:	January 16, 2004	§	
		§	Attorney Docket No.: 2004B005
For:	Hydrophobization and	§	
	Silica For Supported	§	Customer No.: 23455
	Catalyst	§	
		§	Date: October 19, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C. F. R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the Office Action dated June 20, 2006. Please reconsider the application in light of the following remarks.

The Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 18 of this paper.